recommendations of the Inter-Ministerial Group thereon and items & norms of assistance and approved the following assistance for rescue and immediate relief operations:—

(i) Rs. 647.45 crore from National Calamity Contingency Fund (NCCF) subject to the adjustment of the 75% of the balances in the CRF account of the State for the instant calamity and adhoc releases made from the NCCF.

(ii) Rs. 8.75 crore from Special Component of Accelerated Rural Water Supply Program (ARWSP) for Drinking Water Supply.

(iii) The cost of deployment of IAF helicopters for rescue and relief operations on actual basis, after receipt of bills.

It has been decided to constitute an Inter-Ministerial Committee, on the lines of Core Group set up in the Planning Commission in the wake of Tsunami of December, 2004. This work has been entrusted to the National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA). The State Governments are required to submit Plans for long-term rehabilitation and reconstruction of the flood affected areas, for consideration.

Accommodation to police personnel

1564. DR. GYAN PRAKASH PILANIA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Central Government have fixed any norms for providing residential accommodation (barrack as well as house) to various ranks of police personnel throughout the country; if so, the details thereof;

(b) the basis on which the norms are fixed, what is the present status of accommodation, rank-wise and State-wise;

(c) whether Government have formulated any plan to provide accommodation to all the police personnel, according to norms; and

(d) if so, the details thereof, and by when all personnel would be provided with accommodation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) to (d) Police is a State subject as

per Seventh Schedule of the Constitution. Therefore, it is the duty of State Government to provide housing for its police personnel. However, under the Modernization of Police Force Scheme, Central Government provides assistance to States for items which include housing for upper and lower subordinates. It is expected that the Scheme should achieve housing satisfaction level of 70% for these categories by 2010.

For Central Para Military Forces personnel family accommodation to the extent of 25% of the strength of the forces is to be achieved. Remaining personnel are to be provided barrack or other alternative accommodation.

Tracking of naxalites by use of Satellites

1565. SHRI TARIQ ANWAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are planning to track naxalites and their camps in remote jungles with the Satellites;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that some naxalite groups are helped by Government officials; and

(d) if so, what are the steps taken to control it?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) and (b) The naxal affected States have their action plans to undertake the anti-naxalite operations and they execute these as per the requirements of the ground situation.

(c) and (d) No such report has come to the notice of the Government.

Demand for separate Cooch Behar State

1566. SHRI TARINI KANTA ROY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that in the northern part of West Bengal, especially in Cooch Behar, some people in the name of Greater Cooch Behar People's Association are demanding a separate "Greater Cooch Behar" State;